DK READERS

BEGINNING 1 TO READ

Surprise Puppy!

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Level 1

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Truck Trouble
Tale of a Tadpole
Surprise Puppy!
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A Day at Seagull Beach
Whatever the Weather
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Level 2

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Star Wars: A Queen's Diary
Star Wars: R2-D2 and Friends
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A Note to Parents

DK READERS is a compelling program for beginning readers, designed in conjunction with leading literacy experts, including Dr. Linda Gambrell, Distinguished Professor of Education at Clemson University. Dr. Gambrell has served as President of the National Reading Conference, the College Reading Association, and the International Reading Association.

Beautiful illustrations and superb full-color photographs combine with engaging, easy-to-read stories to offer a fresh approach to each subject in the series. Each DK READER is guaranteed to capture a child's interest while developing his or her reading skills, general knowledge, and love of reading.

The five levels of DK READERS are aimed at different reading abilities, enabling you to choose the books that are exactly right for your child:

Pre-level 1: Learning to read
Level 1: Beginning to read
Level 2: Beginning to read alone
Level 3: Reading alone
Level 4: Proficient readers

The "normal" age at which a child begins to read can be anywhere from three to eight years old. Adult participation through the lower levels is very helpful for providing encouragement, discussing storylines, and sounding out unfamiliar words.

No matter which level you select, you can be sure that you are helping your child learn to read, then read to learn!

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Surprise Puppy!

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On Friday afternoon,
Dad brought home
a surprise.

"Look what I've got," he said.
"It's a puppy!
He belongs to
a friend of mine.

"Will you look after him for a few days?"

"Yes! Yes!" shouted the twins.

"The puppy's wagging his tail,"
said Sam.

"That means he likes us,"
said Jessica.

"My friend wants you to name him," Dad told the twins.

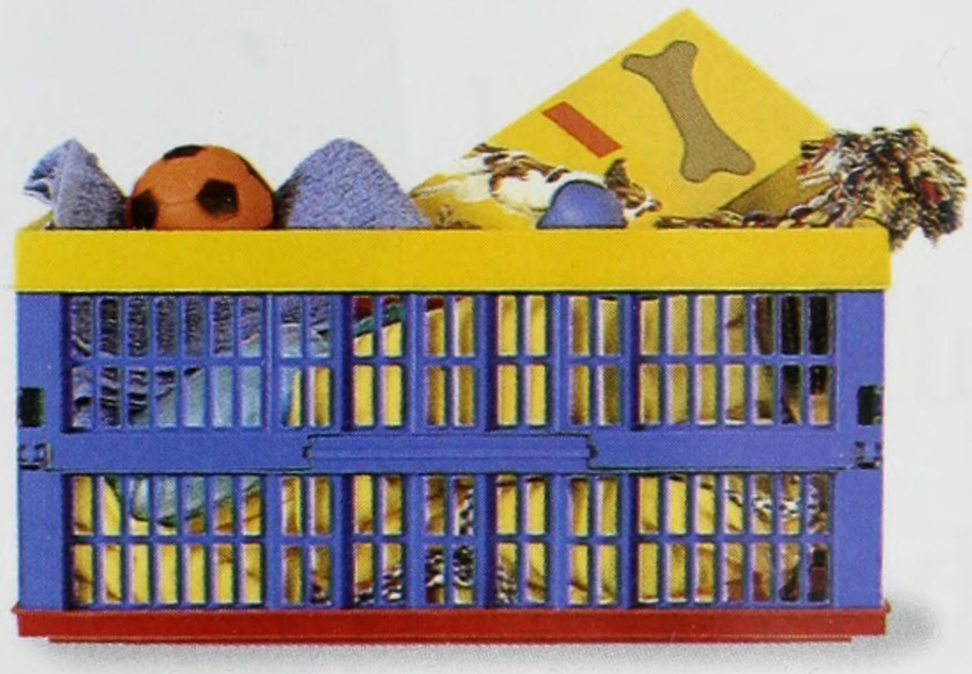
"I want to call him Wags," said Jessica.

"Wags is a good name," said Sam.

Wags ran around the room.

"He wants to play," said Dad.
"He needs lots of exercise."

Sam looked in the box of things
that had come with Wags.
He found a toy ball.



He threw the ball
into the garden.
"Fetch," he called.

Wags chased the ball.
But ...

... he did not bring the ball back.

He just sat by the ball and wagged his tail!

"Wags doesn't know how to fetch," said Jessica.

"Let's teach him this weekend,"
said Sam.

"Good idea," said Dad.
"Then next week
you can show your friends
what he can do."

Later that evening, Dad couldn't find his slippers.

"Oh no!" cried Jessica. "Wags has your slippers. He's chewing them!"

"He's teething,"
Dad told her.

"Give him a dog chew.
There's one in the box
with Wags's things."

Soon it was bedtime.
"Can Wags sleep with me?"
Sam asked.

"Wags is too young," said Dad.
"He has to sleep in the kitchen.

"Put some newspaper
on the floor
in case he needs to pee.

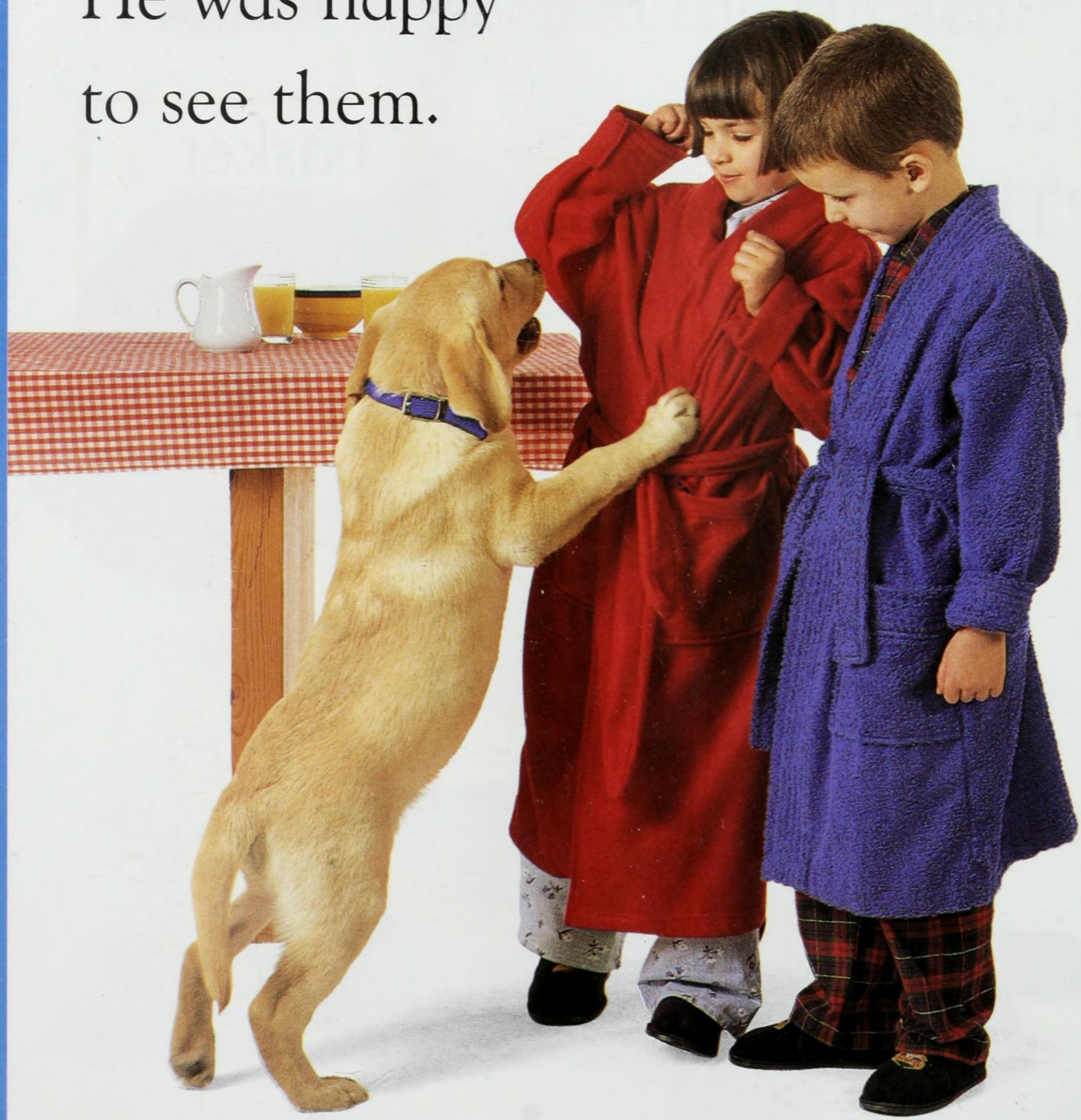
"Fill up
his water bowl.

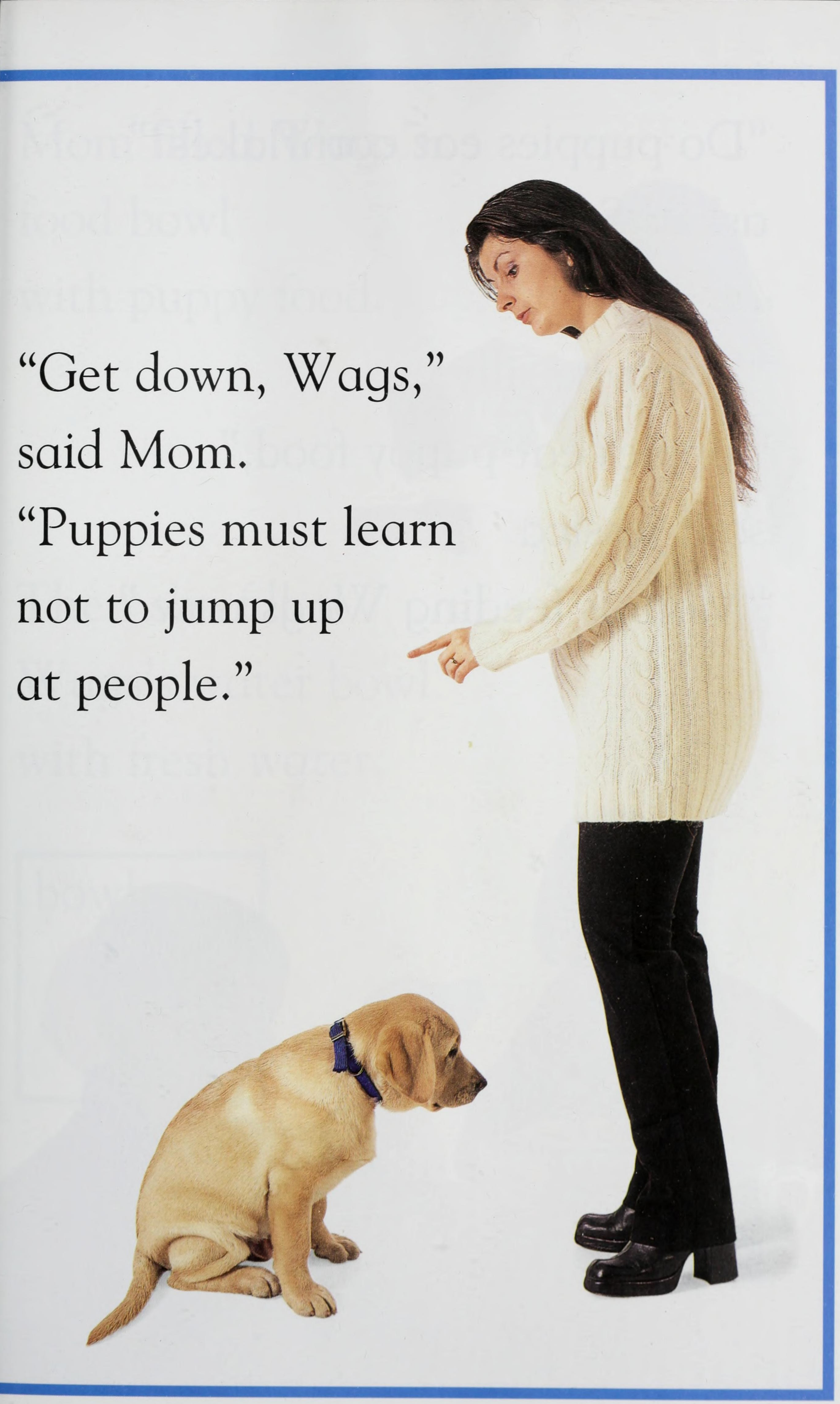
basket

"Then lay a blanket
in his basket
to keep him warm."

On Saturday morning,
the twins rushed
into the kitchen.

Wags jumped up at them.
He was happy
to see them.





"Get down, Wags," said Mom. "Puppies must learn not to jump up at people."

"Do puppies eat cornflakes?"
asked Sam.

"Don't be silly.
Puppies eat puppy food,"
said Jessica.
"Mom is feeding Wags now."

Mom filled Wags's food bowl with puppy food.

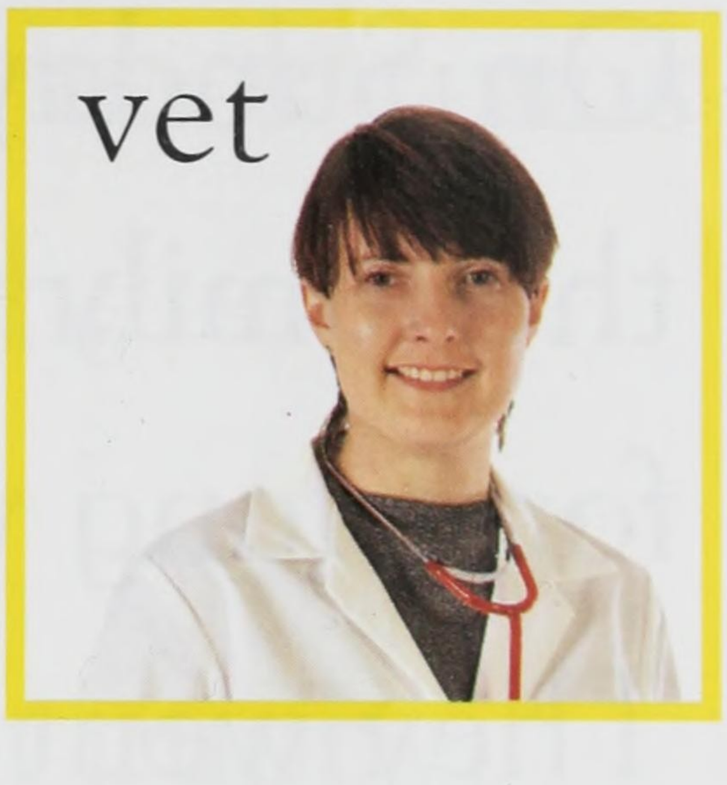
Then she filled Wags's water bowl with fresh water.

bowl

That afternoon,
they went to the vet.
Wags needed a checkup.

"Why does Wags need to be
checked by you?" asked Sam.

"To make sure he is healthy," said the vet.



The vet checked Wags carefully.

"Wags has a shiny coat and a wet nose. That means he's well," she said.

On Sunday,
the family took Wags
for a long walk.
They went to the park.

Sam and Jessica took turns holding the leash.

"I wish we had a puppy," said Jessica.

"Puppies are hard work," Dad told her.

"We don't mind!" shouted the twins.

leash

After the walk,
everyone went inside.

Jessica hung Wags's leash
on the coat rack.

Sam put
fresh water
in Wags's
water bowl.

No one noticed that
the gate was open.

No one ...
except Wags!

"Where's Wags?"
Dad asked
a few minutes later.

"Oh no,
the gate's open!"
cried Jessica.
"Wags ran away."

"Come on,
let's find him,"
said Mom.

But he wasn't on the street.

And he wasn't in the park.

"I found him!" called Jessica.
Wags was next door.
He had been rolling
in some mud.

Mom brought him home
and gave him a bath.

"We have to keep
the gate shut,"
she told
the twins.

"Okay," said Jessica
as she dried Wags with a towel.

"Sorry," said Sam.
He brushed Wags's coat
with the dog brush.

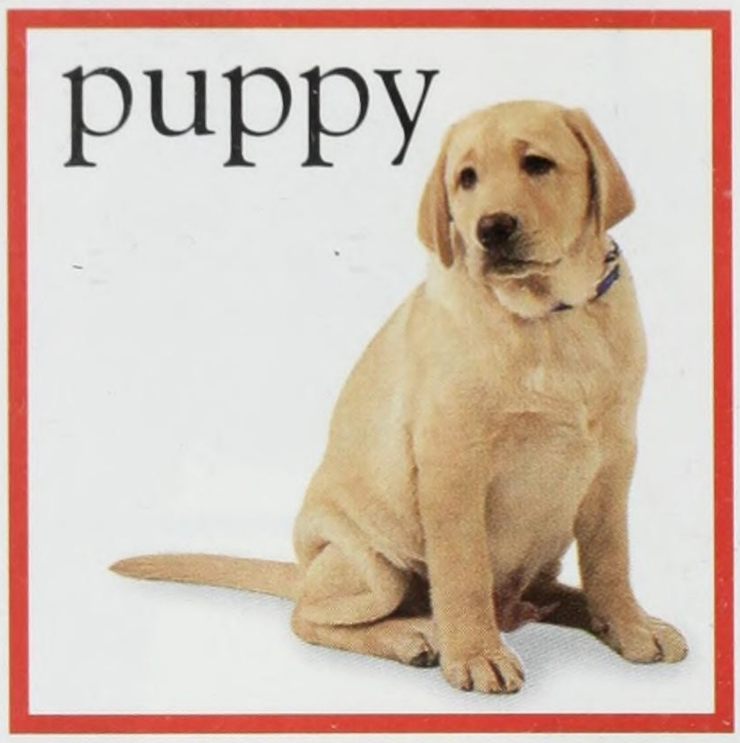
On Monday,
it was the
twins' birthday.

Mom gave them a tiny box
and Jessica opened it.

"It's a tag!" she said.
"It has our address on it ...
and it says WAGS!"

"It's a dog tag,"
said Dad.
"Wags belongs
to you two now.
This weekend was a test.
You passed with flying colors!"

Picture Word List



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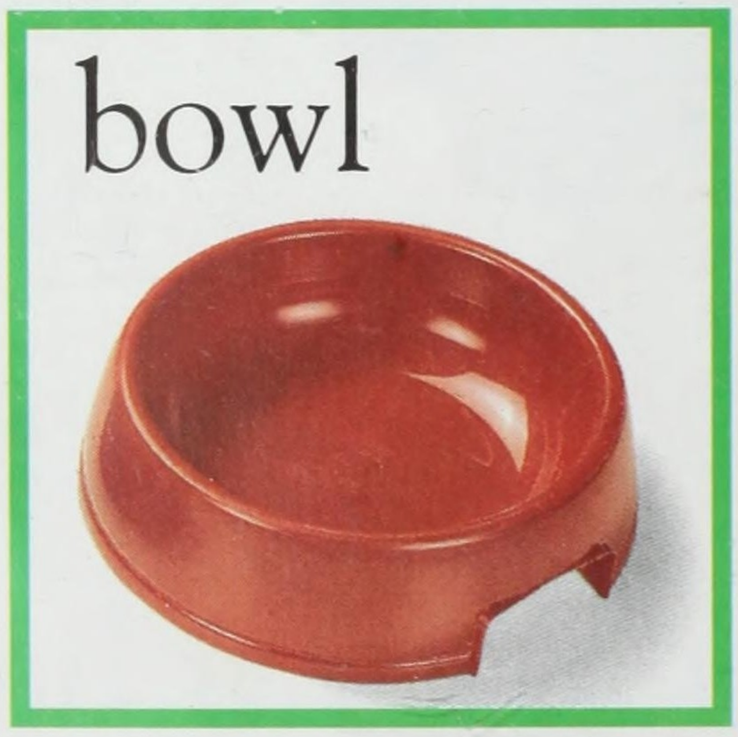

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Jessica and Sam are thrilled to look after a friend's puppy. Is there a bigger surprise to come?

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Stunning photographs combine with lively illustrations and engaging, age-appropriate stories in DK READERS, a multilevel reading program guaranteed to capture children's interest while developing their reading skills and general knowledge.

LEARNING 1 pre-level TO READ	Learning to read	• High-frequency words • Picture word strips, picture glossary, and simple index • Labels to introduce and reinforce vocabulary • High level of adult participation helpful
BEGINNING 1 TO READ	Beginning to read	• Simple sentences and limited vocabulary • Picture glossary and simple index • Adult participation helpful
BEGINNING 2 TO READ ALONE	Beginning to read alone	• Longer sentences and increased vocabulary • Information boxes full of extra fun facts • Simple index • Occasional adult participation helpful
READING 3 ALONE	Reading alone	• More complex sentence structure • Information boxes and alphabetical glossary • Comprehensive index
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